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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director/Support

During the debate on the passage of the conference report on the Military Construction Bill in the House on 7 July, the following colloquy took place between Congressman Reuss (D., Wisc.) and Chairman Vinson:

Mr. Reuss: "Can the gentleman enlighten me on this? Section 401 authorizes an additional \$8.5 million for a highway to Langley, Va., if the Central Intelligence Agency should choose that site for a headquarters office. Does this section mean that Congress necessarily favors the Langley site for the CIA and is committed to appropriating the necessary funds?"

Mr. Vinson: "I would not say that the language is such that it would be mandatory on the part of Mr. Dulles to construct the Central Intelligence Agency headquarters on that site. But, I do think, if you read between the lines, you will see that at least the House conferees looked with favor on that area. Whether it is in that particular section or not I am unable to say."

/s/

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